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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I am a lawyer admitted to practice law in NY, NJ, and PA, currently focusing on government affairs and immigration issues, a specialty earned through several years of employment with the United States Government. Through **Pazan Consulting, LLC**, I also consult for the investment immigration industry - particularly with regard to the EB-5 visa program - on source of funds, program, and consular processing issues.

PUBLIC SERVICE & GOVERNMENT

US Citizen and Immigration Services

2016 - 2018

Adjudication Officer, Investor Program Office, Washington, DC

- Adjudicated petitions in the EB5 program (I-526, I-829), by which high net worth investors obtain US residency and then citizenship. Analysis of business and project documents in over 200 cases, including those submitted by “Regional Centers” that coordinate development projects costing hundreds of millions of dollars, as well as “stand-alone” (single investor) petitions.

US Department of State

1989-1991, 2010-2016

Vice Consul – US Embassy, Santiago, Chile, Bogotá, Colombia, Kiev, Ukraine & Warsaw, Poland

Post Management Officer, Europe Bureau, Washington, DC

Foreign Service Officer:

- Adjudicated immigrant and non-immigrant visa applications to determine eligibility for all visas, including L, H and other employment visas. Principle adjudicator for all E visas (treaty trader and investor), and in-house trainer for fellow officers.
- As American Citizen Services Chief in Warsaw, 2015-16, managed staff of 5 providing full measure of services to US Citizens abroad, including passport services, prison visits, and notarial services. Primary POC and architect of crisis response planning during 2016 papal visit to Poland for World Youth Days. Primary US citizenship adjudicator for US Mission in Poland.
- As Post Management Officer, 2014-15, acted as liaison between US missions in Europe and the Department’s DC bureaucracy in management matters, such as HR, capital construction, legal issues, and internal administrative matters such as the evacuation of US Mission Libya to Malta.

Westchester County Attorney Office - Assistant County Attorney

1990-1991

Civil litigation attorney representing the County and County agencies.

Nassau County District Attorney - Assistant District Attorney

1986-1989

Criminal prosecutor (investigation, indictment, trial) in both Nassau District and County Courts. Conducted criminal jury trials, dozens of bench trials, and countless hearings.

PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERIENCE

Spector Gadon & Rosen, PC

2005 – 2009

Of Counsel Attorney

Senior commercial litigation attorney in 12-attorney New Jersey office of well-known 70-attorney Philadelphia firm.

Representative work includes:

- Obtained “no-damages” jury verdict for drug research tool manufacturer in Hatch-Waxman Act patent litigation before the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts. See [Proveris Scientific Corp. v. Innovasystems, Inc.](#), 536 F.3d 1256 (Fed. Cir. 2008).

- Obtained multi-million dollar settlement from Fortune 1000 corporation in matter involving optical fiber packing waste closed-loop system at plants located in the US, UK, and Germany.

Dilworth Paxson, LLP
Contract Partner

1999-2005

Senior attorney handling commercial and business litigation and transactions. Representative work includes:

- Insurance coverage. See, Owens v. The Prudential Property and Casualty Ins. Co. of NJ, 336 N.J.Super. 79, 763 A.2d 792 (App. Div. 2000).
- Represented publicly traded software designer and reseller millions of dollars by advising on agreements for the sale and license of logistics software, and articulating position that generated insurance coverage for a string of claims.
- Conceived, managed and documented a \$12.7 million proof of loss from employee defalcation, which resulted in recovery of \$5.0 million (policy limit) under fiduciary bond without litigation.
- Developed the curriculum for and delivered a lecture series on HIPAA compliance for over 250 managers and prospective clients.

Pazan & Shimberg, PC

1998-1999

Co-founded a private law commercial litigation and defense practice.

Sweeney & Sheehan, PC

1996-1998

Associate

First permanent attorney in residence at New Jersey office of growing Philadelphia defense firm. Cross-sold and developed over \$400K in new defense litigation business in the first year, and assisted in the selection of permanent space and the staffing and development of the firm's first "bona fide" New Jersey office.

Clark, Ladner, Fortenbaugh & Young

1991-1996

Associate

Managed a variety of large insurance (noise-induced hearing loss, FELA, asbestos, and toxic tort) and commercial (maritime, construction, etc.) cases. Specialty defense litigation, including Longshore and Jones Act. See, e.g., Koernschild v. WH Streit, Inc., 834 F.Supp. 711 (D.N.J. 1993).

EDUCATION

National Law Center, George Washington University, J.D., 1986

State University of New York - Oneonta, B.A. in Geography, 1981

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Issues Surrounding Sourcing of EB-5 Administrative Fees, EB5 Investor's Magazine, English Version, July 2019

EB-5 Visas: Will We Ever Discuss Merit Based Immigration? The New York Law Journal, July 23, 2018.

Critical Differences Between the E-2 and EB-5 Processing, EB5 Investors Magazine, English Version, January 2019.

Time is Ticking on International Talent Acquisitions, The Texas Lawyer, September 2018, p. 60.

Eyeballs Are Better Than Border Walls, Law360, <https://www.law360.com/articles/1118366/eyeballs-are-better-than-border-walls>.

Enforcing and Attacking E-Commerce Patents: The US District Court in New Jersey Enhances its Status as a Venue, E-Commerce Law and Strategy, Vol. 26, No. 4, August 2009.

New Jersey is a Nice Place to Visit With Your Patent Cases, Even if it's not Marshall, Texas, Upon Further Review, a publication of the Philadelphia Bar Association, July 7, 2009.

What is a "Patented Invention?" The Federal Circuit's Decision in Proveris Scientific Corp. v. Innovasystems, Inc., Upon Further Review, a publication of the Philadelphia Bar Association, April 4, 2008.

Protection of an Insured's Mission or Business in the Context of an Insurer Supplied Defense, Rutgers U.L. Record, April 2004.

Errors & Omissions in the Context of E-Commerce Sales and Service Contracts, 9 NJSBA Insurance Law Newsletter, Vol. 1, November 2003.

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York State
US District Courts for the Southern, Eastern and Western Districts

State of New Jersey
US District Court for the District of New Jersey

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
US District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Third Circuit Court of Appeals
Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals
Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
United States Supreme Court

LANGUAGES

SPANISH - Business and social fluency
RUSSIAN, POLISH & UKRAINIAN - Courtesy level